BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR RACING-DOINGS OF TURP MEN AND THE HORSES. The racing season opened auspiciously at Wash-

ington on Saturday. Notwithstanding the intense heat, there was a large and enthusiastic assemblage of spectators composed of the leading citizens of Washington. There was no trouble about betting, as the layers as well as the takers of odds took every precaution to conform with the laws of the

gyerybody present was extremely well pleased with the arrangement made by the management. was some slight dissatisfaction expressed by ome of the owners at a charge being made for adthe president of the club, smoothed the matter over ermitting owners to enjoy the privileges of the ouse. The racing was high class, and the indications point to a highly successful racing season. The decision of the Appellate Court in the Law-

and Sturgis cases has been far-reaching in its get on racing. Everybody is rallying to the supiths to place racing on a profitable basis for the kowners if the efforts of some of the active betting is not likely to cause much trouble anybody, as the solution is close at hand. ng and to keep the sport up to a high dard of excellence, the various racing clubs in this State must receive sufficient revenue to cover expenses and to leave a surplus, no matter how small it may be. The charges that will be made ertain to increase the revenues of the clubs many people in the wealthy classes of this country go to Europe and remain there during the racing season, and contribute liberally to the sup-port of racing abroad, there are enough patriotic left who are willing to give every possible aid to the support of racing in this country. If due regard is given to the best interests of the sport, and care is taken to prevent allen talent from securing profitable appointments as racing officials the future of racing is assured.

Moreover, press agents are not at all likely to prove successful accessories to racing clubs.

THE PECULIAR WEATHER.

The weather since March 1 has not been all that could be desired for training purposes. There have been so many rapid changes in the temperature that n is indeed a surprise that there is no more sickness among the large number of horses quartered at the neetracks in this neighborhood. The fastest work

among the large number of horses quartered at the recetracks in this neighborhood. The fastest work of the week was done by Louis Stuart's Ein, at Menmouth Park, on Tuesday. The colt worked one-half mile with Monaco as a pacemaker in the fast time of 050½. Monmouth Park is a slow track, bence the work is first-class, if the opinion of shrewings of turf performances. Ein is by Holas, dam killer, so his performance is backed up by gill-diged breeding, and the fact that the two-year-old saily decated Monaco places him in the front rank of the untried youngsters in training.

I. W. Knox, who is a veteran trainer of trotters, and has been on earth threescore years, is now a conspicuous figure on the turf, owing to the excellent-work of the two-year-olds trained by him. When his horses arrived at Graverend last fall they were closely inspected by an expert, who failed to see a single promising feature in the entire outh. At the present time, however, the expert's opinion is reversed, and Mr. Knox's horses are greatly respected. Mr. Knox has seen much of life; he was a Union soldier during the war, and carries the scars of severe wounds received at Fredericksburg. At the close of the war he began his career as a trainer of trotters, and has won races in almost every State in the Union from Maine to California. He decladed to try his luck with thoroughbreds last fall. He purchased several two-year-olds in Lexington and shipped them East. George A. Singerly, of Philadelphia who has owned some of the most famous trotters of recent years, purchased a half-interest in Mr. Knox's stable, as he has faith in his sability as a trainer. Big Matt is perhaps the pick of the stable, but a recent addition from Kentucky is likely to furnish some interesting turf gossip before the racing season is many weeks old. A FINE SANDFORD LOT.

ral Stephen Sandford and his son, an John Sandford, are at the Waldorf, Genral Sandford intends to visit the new Chamberlin Hotel at Fortress Monroe, and may make a journey aniand before he returns to Amsterdam.

to England before he returns to Amsterdam. The yearling at the Sandford farm are an exceptionally fine of this year, and General Sandford is greatly pleased with them. John Sandford believes that head will be completely rehabilitated under the new order of affairs.

John G. Borgium, an American artist and a member of the French Salon, sailed for France on La Touraine on Saturday. Mr. Borgium was in California several months. He painted a magnificent picture of Ormonde from life. The painting was greatly admired by the few turfmen who enjoyed the pleasure of viewing it. The picture will be placed on exhibition at the next Salon in Paris. George Smith ("Pittsburg Phil") and Walier Keyes left here for Washington yesterday afternoon. Mr. Smith prefers the American system of trotting. David Gideon is said to have won handsomely over Premier's victory at Bean ngs on Saturday, Matthew Smith presents the Analysis and the have won handsome; y over mier's victory at Bean ngs on Saturday. Matthew rbett backed Haiton heavily. He bet on him aight and place, and had a slight margin of profit

straight and place, and had a signe many on his place bets.
Colonel Thomas P. Ochiltree picked four winners on Saturday, to the intense satisfaction of the women and their escorts in the clubhouse, all of whom bet on the Colonel's selections. Field Marshai Yamagata, of Japan, is an enthusiastic turfman and an ardent admirer of the thoroughbred. Marshal Yamagata was elected an honorary member of the Aborigines on Thursday night. Only two other men anjoy that distinction—General Nelson A. Miles and Aborigines on Thursday night. Only two other men enjoy that distinction—General Nelson A. Miles and President Porfirio Diaz, of Mexico.

Betting on the Brooklyn Handicap is brisk, and many of the horses are being supported in a book made by a member of a club composed chiefly of men who love to bet on every description of outdoor sport.

GOSSIP OF THE TROTTERS. ROBERT BONNER'S NAME RESTORED ON THE

SHNDS AT FLEETWOOD PARK-COLONEL LAWRENCE'S FAST ROAD MARE-OTHER NOTEWORTHY TRIALS. The summer sunshine of the last few days has

the effect of bringing out of winter quarters sout New-York, and there are lively scenes at ood, Parkway and the other tracks almost every morning at present. Something like 150 es are quartered at the old course in Morrisania just now, with new ones arriving all the time, so that the capacity of the stables is likely to be taxed fore the spring campaign begins, a month hence ne changes are noticeable at Fleetwood to the road riders who have not visited the track since eason. The picturesque old gate which had stood at the entrance to the park since 1870 was down during the winter, and thereby hangs tale. After One-hundred-and-sixty-fifth-st. was declared open to the easterly side of Sheridan-ave, the gate stood on city property, and was accordingly sold at public auction. The imposing old wooden structure was badly decayed, and was worthless except to the Driving Club, but an outsider with an eye to profit outbid the representative of the track people at the sale, and, having become the owner, tried to sell out to the club for double the price he had paid. The track officials looked upon the matter as an attempted hold-up, and the speculator was told that he could pull down his property and take dary line of the park.

Another notable, through less conspicuous, change has been made in another of the old landmarks of Fleetwood Park. Readers of The Tribune will renber that something like a year ago some one in authority unceremoniously removed Robert Bon-ner's name from the shed set apart for his use at cotwood, substituting therefor the sign "Presiit." This rather surprising treatment of the sous horseman who has honored the club by his ce at the track ever since it was built created stir among some of the old-time members, and esulted in two or three resignations; but the new nner's name 's 'seck in the old place now, and is safe to say that no intruder will again venture

ear it down. In justice to the then president of he Driving Club, Andrew Miller, it should be said t he had no hand in the affront to one of New York's most prominent horsemen.

Alexander Newburger is giving his personal atten-ion to the care of the track and grounds this seaand everything at Fleetwood is neater and ighter than for many seasons. The track itself never in better condition for the trainers who throng it daily, preparing their horses for the aping campaign; nor have the stables in "Wall-Broadway" and "The Hill" ever sheltered so by noted harness racers as at present. Some of trainers who are to take part in the earlier gs of the spring circuit are already sending rses along at a good clip, and a number of moves have been reported, but the speed one of the season thus far beiong to an amateur sman, Colonel Frederick N. Lawrence, and his road mare Ambo. Started up for the first time terday, the speedy four-year-old trotted a quaring as and a half-mile in 1:1l, drawing a road on and driven by her owner. She is a level-ded, constant trotter, and as she has no recorder than 2:29, she ought to make a formidable thing in the interclub cup races at Fleetwood and away next month. Colonel Lawrence raised the She is by Warren, 2:20%, the som of Aristos, her dam was the Carli mare, by Pearsall, am by Ethan Allen. Charles H. Kerner was beined the filly one day last week, when her those road on Washington moves have been reported, but the speed

Heights. Mr. Kenner was astonished at the speed shown by the four-year-old.

"Stop her!" he shouled to Colonel Lawrence when the filly was doing her best. "This is a trotter! I want to buy her dam to breed to my horse Leonatus. What will you take for the old nare?"

And there and then the enthusiastic breeder and roadman struck a bargain for Anibo's dam, but when Colonel Lawrence sent to his country-place for the mare word came back that she had died two days before in foaling a full sister to the promising filly that so pleased Mr. Kerner.

Another notable performance in the amateur ranks took place yesterday when Frederick T. Steinway drove his road mare Bessie R. by France, a mile in 2:31½, finishing the last quarter at a 2:28 gai. John Daly, the trainer, drove Mr. Steinway's mare Addie B in company with Bessie R. beating her out about a length at the finish. Addie S. afterward repeated in 2:3½, the fastest mile of the season thus far reported at Fleetwood. Addie S. is a daughter of General B. F. Tracy's stallion Kentucky Wilkes, 2:3½, and is entered in the \$2.00 stake for 3:20 pacers to be decided at the Fleetwood Grand Circuit meeting. Mr. Steinway drives her on the road in double harness with Bessie R. to one of the new road wagons with bleycle wheels. Although the mare paces when started up on the track, she is a square trotter on the road. Dally, who is a nephew of John Murphy, and drove for the honest old-time horseman a year or two before he died, is training for Mr. Steinway, 2:25½, by Direct, 2:00½, and Elf, 2:22½, by Steinway, 2:25½, Both are entered in the \$2.00 stale for 2:19 trotters at Fleetwood, and they are showing directing the form in their work this spring. Daly having driven them quarters at a 2:20 gait last week.

probably inherits a faster combination of blood than any other filly yet foaled. She is a pacer, and a promising one, having stepped a quarter in 0:40 as a yearling.

W. H. McCarthy is now quartered at the track with the horses that he will train and campaign this season for N. W. Hubinger, William Kelly and other owners. In point of demonstrated speed McCarthy's stable is perhaps the strongest ever put together by a trainer in New-York, comprising as it does the trotters Dan Cupid, 2:994; by Barney Wilkes: Jane, 2:134, by Mike Agan: Erusic, 2:144, by Wilkes Boy: Ride, 2:164, by Ejyria: Combline, 2:164, by Combination, and the pacers Frank Agan, 2:044, by Mike Agan: U. S. Bond, 2:185, by Frank Noble: Mary Weils, 2:294, by Director; besides a lot of others that "Kna, sack" says are just as fast as the ones having records. Frank Agan, who defeated Robert J. Joe Patchen and John R. Gentry in the free-fyr-all pacing race at Louisville last fall, is particularly impressive in appearance this spring. A good many horsemen expect to see him begin right where he left off last fall as soon as the campaign opens. McCarthy let him step along at a 2:15 gait for a quarter in his work on Saturday, the day after he arrived at Ficetwood from New-Haven. Mary Weils on the same day paced a quarter in 0:3412, her first fast work for the season. Both moves were made to a heavy road cart, McCarthy working all of his horses in this rig instead of using a track sulky.

The first horse to lent 2:30 at Fleetwood this season was the black stallion Monbars by Eagle Bird, 2:21, dam Lady Maud, 2:184, by General Knay. The horse has a troiting record of 2:11%, made in his three-year-old form in 1832, but he has since then been set to pacing, and his mile last week was made at that gait. Miles Norton, of Grand Rapids, Mich, is handling the stallion this season.

John M. Stewart, of Kanyas City, was among the visitors at Fleetwood yesterday. Sewart is the owner of the noted troiter Ryland T., 2:67%, and some other harners horses with fast record

PREPARING FOR SUMMER CRUISES. PLEASURE CRAFT BEING GOT IN READINESS FOR THEIR OWNERS.

New-London, April 19.-The yachting seaso promises to be a lively one in this section, and a score or more of steam and sail craft which have wintered here are being put in readiness for cruising.
C. L. Hubbard's steamer Kalolah (N. Y. Y. C.)

will probably be the first to go into commission. She has been fitting for a few weeks, and will probably holst her owner's pennant on the firs day of May. Mr. Hubbard's private flag has heretofore been distinguished by the letter K. It will C. H. Osgood's steamer Narwhal (N. Y. Y. C.)

mond's, where her boilers and engine are being overhauled, preparatory to beginning the season, It will be nearly the first of June before she goes

steamer Fedalma at work on that boat for a fort-night. She has been taken to Norwich, where she will fit out and begin her season early.

Lewis Cass Ledyard's schooner Montauk has a

Lewis Cass Ledyard's schooner Montauk has a gang of men at work on her, and Captain Thompson expects her to go into commission about mid-May.

James Pendieton, of Stonington, has purchased the sloop Marguerite, for many years one of the crack beats of the New-Haven Club. She will hereafter hall from Stonington, and will go into commission early in the season. C. J. Kimberly, of New-Haven, had the Marguerite built at Branford, but for ten years she had been owned by C. M. Peck, of New-Haven.

The schooner Lotus (N. Y. Y. C.), John H. Cole, is at Morgan's yard, where the is undergoing extensive alterations.

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Eleanor in commission this season. She is for
charter, but if she is not leased she will lie in
Cow Bay, Long Island, opposite the home of Cap-

tain Scott, who recently returned from a Mediterranean cruise with her.

Captain W. E. Withey does not anticipate that David Dow, jr.'g, new steamer will be ready for commission until late in June.

The schooner-yacht Shamrock, Willard Ward (N. Y. Y. C.), is being overhauled in Shaw's Cove, under the direction of Captain Allen, her sailing master in years past. She will go into commission about May 20.

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J. Drexel's Marguerita, is in the harbor, overhauling. Captain Dudley Brand, who was her saliling master last season when the Marguerita was
on her European voyage, will command her salithis year. She will go into commission at Norfolk
on May 25.

The sloop Huron (Larchment Y. C.)
Is being made ready for
Captain Beshe

made ready for commission at Noank. Beebe, her sailing master, is aboard to overlook the work.

It is announced here that F. C. Fowler has sold his cutter Zuleika (N. Y. Y. C.) to Winthrop Thayer, of Boston. Thayer, of Boston.

The steamer Huntress, Professor Fowler's new yacht, will go into commission Monday next.

SUNDAY GAMES IN THE WEST.

St. Louis, April 19 .- "Standing room only" was announced at the ticket windows at Sportsman's Park to-day, and 16,600 people passed the turnstiles. Parker was wild and his support weak, while Breitenstein was effective after the second inning. Quin made his second hit of the season, and circled the bases. McFarland's backstop work was up to the best standard. One of Sheridan's decisions gave the Browns a run when the runer was clearly touched out at the home plate. Score:

Cincinnati, April 19 .- The largest attendance but one in the history of the game in Cincinnati saw the Louisville team defeated by the splendid work of the local club. At no stage of the game did the visitors have a chance to win out. Two of the three runs credited to Louisville were gifts of Umpire Emslie, who apparently wanted to see a little ex citement. Dexter, for the visitors, played a star game, while Burke, Holliday and Irwin excelled for Cincinnati. Weather warm and fine. Attendance, 18,526. Score:

SWELLING THE HARRY WRIGHT FUND. Cincinnati, April 19.-President Bush, as treasure of the Harry Wright Monument Fund, reports the following receipts to date: James O'Rourke, Bridge rollowing receipts to date: James O'Rourke, Bridge-port, Conn., 19, game between Bridge-port and New-Haven at latter place; James Manning, Kansas City, 139-75, between Kansas City and Chicago; Anirew Freedman, New-York, 323, between New-York and Metropolitans; Inclanapolis and Pitts-burg, at Indianapolie, \$251-75. Total, \$689-50.

AN OLD WOMAN RESCUED FROM FIRE.

A POLICEMAN AND A CITIZEN CARRIED HER DOWN THE FIRE ESCAPE-FLAMES SET BY CARELESS BOYS.

Two unknown boys were playing with matches yesterday morning on the unoccupied second floor of No. 53 Manhattan-st., and after setting fire to the woodwork in one of the rear rooms ran away. The flames spread rapidly and dense volumes smoke filled the house. All of the tenants of the house except Mrs. Christine Beers, sixty-five years o.d. who lives on the top floor, rushed to the street screaming with fright. A large crowd collected in front of the premises before the engines arrived, and an excited woman began yelling, "There's an old woman on the top floor and she can't get out.

Policeman McManus, of the Leonard-st, station, who lives at One-hundred-and-twenty-second-st. and Amsterdam-ave., while taking a walk happened to pass the house from which the smoke issued freely. He heard the woman's cries and instantly dashed the neard the woman's cries and instantly dashed up the stairs to the third floor, where Mrs. Beers lay upon her bed. She was unable to help herself on account of physica, weakness and fright.

McManus was blinded with smoke as he ascended the stairs, but in the mean time Thomas Lynn, twenty-one years old, of No. 20 West One-hundred-and-twentieth-st., ascended the fire escape and offered to assist the policeman in carrying the woman from the burning building. Both men carefully lifted Mrs. Beers from her bed and carried her down the fire escape to the rear yard. She was uninjured.

RIDERS OF THE BICYCLE IN EVIDENCE

RELIEF FOR SUFFERERS FROM HEAT-THE MER-CURY REGISTERS 73 DEGREES, 17 LESS

THAN ON SATURDAY. Relief came yesterday with the east wind, whose cooling advance drove before it the torrid heat which has been making life a burden in the metropolis for the last few days. Ninety degrees was reg istered by the official thermometer on Saturday, but the mercury told a different story yesterday merning at 8 o'clock, when the temperature was only 60 degrees, which was a drop of 30 degrees in less than seventeen hours. Every indication pointed to rain, but none fell, and as a result New-York experienced one of the most pleasant Sundays of the year.

At 8 a. m. the temperature was 60 degrees; at noon it was 67, and at a few minutes before 4 p. m. It had reached 73 degrees, which was 17 degrees be low the highest point reached by the thermomete

Thousands of people took advantage of the pleas ant day to visit out-of-town places, and in conse-quence the ferryboats were crowded. Staten Island, Long Island and New-Jersey received their quota, and the boat ranning to Bedlow's Island did a big business. The recent hot weather points to an early summer, and already the excursion boat lines are beginning to furbish and clean up their vessels in preparation for a long, hot and prosperous eason. Last summer was anything but a prosperous one to most of the steamboat men, but they ok forward confidently to making up for it this summer.

The Battery were a gala appearance yesterday. The grass is green and the buds are swelling and groups of happy children scampering over the lawns made a joyous scene.

JOY FOR WHEELMEN.

Yesterday was a great day for wheelmen, though not that there were any more of them out than there were a week ago, for they were all out then, but the weather was more comfortable for them yesterday. Over in the Boulevard it seemed that every man in the city who owned a wheel must be there, but in Central Pack, the pageant was equally bewildering, while in Riverside Drive the occasional horse which appeared was simply surrounded and walled in by an ever-changing, alternating wall of interchangeable wheels.

Although in the Boulevard the platsance divides those going north from the southbound riders, it was nevertheless remarkable that they managed to dodge one another. If wheeling becomes much more popular, it will really become a serious problem what to do with all the riders. lem what to do with all the riders. Indeed, already it has been suggested that Senator Raines, or some equally able statesman, come to the rescue with a bill providing that citizens under twenty-live years old be obliged to do all their riding before 3 o'clock p. m., while all enthusiasts over that age shall not bestride the "silent steed" till after the same hour. An invincible objection to such a bill is that it would conduce to the wide spread of prevarication among the alleged gentler sex, a result which would certainly be most sad.

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prevarication among the alleged gentler sex, a result which would certainly be most sad. If the craze continues to spread, owners of fash-lonable equipages will in self-defence be obliged to lend their support to the scheme proposed by Robert B. Roosevelt. Mr. Roosevelt never got abroad a wheel in his life until after he was sixty years old, but he is now as much of an enthusiast as any of them. He wants a covered elevated bloycle path built from Fifty-ninth-st, to the Battery. He would have stations with attendants every five blocks, where wheels could be checked while their owners did their errands. Mr. Roosevelt has no use for tunnels, and thinks that if the Rapid Transit Commissioners don't adopt his idea, they might as well close their books, pull down their shutters and go out of business.

The blcycle "cops" found as usual plenty of field as fat as a guinea pig, as clumsy as a hippopotanus and in just about as good training as a circus monkey after a season of peanuts. And yet he catches his man. There seems to be no explanation for the phenomenon unless it be that the natural disadvantages of the officer of the law are offset by the consciousness that the might of the State is behind his flying wheels, while the legs of the miscreant who is being hunted are paralyzed by the consciousness of his moral turpitude.

One fact to be gleaned from the exhibitions of wheel clothes thus far made is that the bloomer is apparently doomed. Some of those conditions are realized of which the wheel-hater thought when he wrote his poem entitled: The Abode of the Goats." The last line of that poem, it may be remembered, runs thus: "Where the scorcher now is scorched and the bloomer blooms no more."

The forecast for to-day is "generally fair, preceded by local thunderstorms in the early morning; cooler westerly winds."

ELECTRIC STORMS IN THE WEST. MANY HOUSES STRUCK * BY LIGHTNING-WASH-OUTS ON THE RAILBOADS.

Milwaukee, Wis., April 19.-The storm Friday was more severe than the first reports showed. At Plymouth, Wis., the track of the Northwestern road was washed out in a way which suggests a cloudburst. Where the track is washed out there is a high embankment, with a covered culvert under it, and the pressure of the water was 100 strong to be withstood. A half mile east of the break in the embankment a landslide covered the track two feet deep with earth and stones. The westbound passenger train was stopped just in time to prevent serious accident.

At Rockfield, Wis., a cloudburst carried away

bridges and other structures. The water was ten feet deep in some places. The Chicago and Northwestern Railroad had a bad washout with consider

able damage.
At Three Lakes the farm buildings of A. F. Shib-At three destroyed by lightning. In the town of Brighton the farm buildings of Matt Daniels were burned. Eighteen cows, four horses and a greated of grain were lost. The home of Frank Robin son, in the town of Randall, was fired by lightning and destroyed. All the members of the family were and desiroyed. All the hemoty escaped with their lives.

At Junction City, Wis., lightning struck a large stone on the road close to where Michael Hirzenger was passing, and a piece of the rock struck Hirzen-ger on the head. At last accounts he was uncon-

was passing and a recounts he was unconscious.

At Sturgeon Bay lightning struck the German Lutheran Church and completely wrecked the edifice.

The farmhouse of W. F. Tucker, near West Salem, Wis., was struck by lightning and three members of the family prostrated.

At Lodi the farmhouse of George Bancroft was struck by lightning and destroyed. About fifty other buildings throughout the Statewer struck and a number of persons were prostrated by lightning strokes.

Scandia, Kan., April 12.—Early yesterday morning a tornado passed through Scandia, shaking up houses, smashing barns and outbuildings, twisting off trees and generally giving people a severe scare. As far as learned, no one was hurt.

COOLER WEATHER COMING. THE WEATHER BUREAU SAYS THE HEATED TERM IS OVER.

Washington, April 19.—The Weather Bureau furnishes the following bulletin to the press:
"The heated term is broken in the Ohio Valley,
Lake region, New-England and New-York.

"The warm wave which has prevailed over the regions east of the Mississippi during the last week has been broken by a decided fail in temperature in the take region and Ohio Valley to-day, the temperature having fallen from 10 to 30 degrees in the last twenty-four hours in Western New-York, Western Pennsylvania and in the States north of the Ohio River. The maximum temperatures in Eastern New-York and Southern New-England have been about 19 degrees lower than yesterday. Unusually high temperature continues, however, the southern portion of the Middle Atlantic States, which will be followed on Monday in this section by about 10 degrees fall in temperature.

The hot spell began in the Missouri Valley or Thursday, the 9th, with temperatures 20 degrees and over above the normal, and gradually overspread the central valleys by Saturday, the 11th, spread the central valleys by Saturday, the lith, and the Middle Atlantic States by Monday, the 13th, in which regions the temperature has since remained almost continuously from 15 to 20 degrees above the mean. Unusually high temperatures also prevailed in New-England on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

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"In New-England, the Middle Atlantic States and the Lake regions, maximum temperatures occurred on several days, exceeding any previously recorded temperature by the Weather Bureau during the second ten days of April. The following are the highest temperatures ever recorded by the Weather Bureau during the last twenty-five years for the second ten days in April, ranging from 3 to 10 desecond ten days in April, ranging days in

FLOOD WATERS RECEDING.

Saratoga, N. Y., April 19 (Special).-The floods in the Upper Husson Valley and the Adirondacies reached their highest point last night, since which time the waters have been receding. At Glens Falls,

WAS WHEELMAN'S DAY, Schuylerville and at Schroon Lake, the waters have fallen three feet since daylight. A bridge was swept away at Thompson's Mills. A washout occurred at Thurman on the Adiroxlack Railway, which required the services of a wrecking train all night. Yesteriay afternoon the big dam at Mechanics will be in danger.

A BLOODY TENEMENT FIGHT. SELECTIONS FROM THE MAIL.

DON'T GO TO SOUTH AFRICA!

A WARNING TO AMERICANS FROM ONE OF THEM LIVING IN JOHANNESBURG.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: I have just heard with a feeling of pity that a party of twenty-four young men have come here from Chicago. I wish you would investigate the truthfulness of what I say, and then place the facts before the American public as fully as you can, particularly in the West, whence many of the Americans come to this place. There are about one thousand Americans on the Rand, of whom about five hundred have already registered with the consular agent Mr Manion.

There is absolutely no use for any young American to come out here to Johannesburg or South Africa unless he has some particular trade at which he is an expert, and an expert of the highest order; or unless he represents some industry that has a good financial backing that will maintain him in one of the expensive places in the world to live in until he becomes firmly established. There are thousands here out of employment, bright, active, energetic fellows, who are willing to do anything that may

olimes to taking the presidency of the Diggest mines here.

If any man has an ample capital, and is willing, to "hustle" even harder than successful men do in New-York, Chicago or San Francisco, and all the time put up with one of the most uncertain markets, both of labor and merchandise, a kind of an auction market, a lottery-gambling market, let him come: but let no one foo himself.

Cripple Creek, from what I can learn of it, opens with greater opportunities and vaster possibilities than this place; besides, there is the greater advantage of its being in Colorado, which, if I do not forget my geography, is in the United States of America, a country that one-half of the Americans here would give all they possess to be in to-day.

I meet a dozen Americans every day who ask me if would give all they possess to be in to-day, eet a dozen Americans every day who ask me if eet a dozen Americans every day who ask me if I meet a dozen Americans every day who ask me if I can "put them on to a job," which, poor fellows, I am sorry to say I am unable to do. This state of affairs has been existing for some time. They stay, many because they cannot get away, and many more to "see if they can strike a little luck," which does not come their way. It will never be right here until political matters are put aright, and I fear that then it will not be so.

Please investigate this matter, and do the would be immigrants from good America to this farce of a Republic a brotherly turn.

GEORGE H. CLAPP.

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Johannesburg, South Africa, March 15, 1896.

TOO COLD TO CUT ICE.

To the Editor of the Tribune: Tribune, say that the very cold weather of the the crop is short. I should judge from this that
the article was frostbitten or winter-killed. In
June the weather will probably be warm enough to
prevent these embarrassing conditions occurring
again. Possibly a good crop will be secured then,
as cold weather seems to be fatal to the production
of ice, according to the idea of the ice monopolists.

Brooklyn, April 18, 1895. C. W.

NOT A PARTNER OF MR. PARKER. To the Editor of The Tribune:

The Tribune) intimates that, although a partner, or some sort of business connection of Police Comssioner Andrew D. Parker, I have acted as counsel for policemen tried under charges before him. I beg you to say that I have no business relations whatever with Mr. Parker, other than the occuwhatever with Mr. Parker, other than the occu-pancy of an office in the same suite and the sharing of certain common expenses, according to a very general custom of lawyers. Mr. Parker is not my partner, and never has been. The use by us of the name "Newell & Parker," as mentioned in said article, was, at first, for supposed convenience only, but even that has long since been discon-tinued. My occasional appearance for accused

New-York, April 18, 1866

A REFERENCE AS TO EASTER. To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Will you not kindly recommend to "A Preacher of the Gospel," North Granville, N. Y., the Brooks for the festivals and fasts of the Christian ermons he will better understand how the multitudes may be taught by an object lesson such as Easter—our day of days. At least once in the year let us put on the "garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness." Brooklyn, April 7, 1896.

SHADOWGRAPH-SKIAGRAPH.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: There is a sound philological law that new structed of two or more words or roots from the same language. Thus the name of a Western city is a violation of this law-Minneapolis, from the North American Indian word Minne and the Greek "polls," which means, as we all know, a city. So the word shadowgraph, which we frequently see in the newspapers, is another such an offender, as the word "shadow" is of Auglo-Saxon origin and 'graph," of course, from the Greek. Shadow-pict-ures as one word would be just as objectionable. It would be difficult to find, if we wished it, a flexible suphonic word in the Anglo-Saxon to represent the dea of picture in the last half of a word to represent this new thing in the world, a shadow picture rom the Röntgen ray. We are compelled to draw on the Greek, which, by common consent, has been adopted as the language by modern scientists of all adopted as the language by modern scientists of all civilized nations for new words to express new things brought into existence by modern science and art. I suggest, therefore, the word satisfact using the last half of the word because we are now so familiar with it in "photograph." And the first is the ordinary Greek word "skia," which is the exact equivalent of our word "shadow." This word "skiagraph" is euphonic, accurate and not too cumbersome to pronounce, and seems to satisfy all the conditions for an acceptable word to express the new product of modern science.

Albany, April 10, 1896. GEORGE R. HOWELL.

(The Tribune has already expressed its approval of the suggestions contained in the foregoing letter.-Ed.)

IS THIS INTELLIGENT JUSTICE?

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: Recently a young man employed during the day in a downtown office was riding his wheel along an uncrowded street in the upper part of the city in the evening, when he heard some one following him on a wheel. This spurred him onward slightly, and they went on at increased speed for some distance, as he thought he might ride as fast as the man behind him. But he finally allowed the man following to evertake him, and it proved to be a policeman, who placed the young man under arrest. He was taken to the station-house, where his valuable wheel was not accounted sufficient secu-rity for his appearance to answer the charge, and he was therefore locked up for the night among he was therefore locked up to the toughs and criminals. And in the morning he was fined by Justice Mott \$2 for the alleged "offence," which had been encouraged by a policeman. Shall such things be without comment or protest in a civilized community? I do not ride a wheel, but I allow that whoelmen have some claims for reasonable treatment. able treatment. New-York, April 6, 1896.

THE FRENCH AND NORTHERN NEW-YORK.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: In your Sunday paper of the 5th I note your Paris letter speaks of the house in Passy formerly occupied by Dr. Benjamin Franklin as belonging to M. Le Ray de Chaumont. It may not be known to you that the town of Le Ray or Le Raysville, in your county of Jefferson, was named for this Mr. Le Ray de Chaumont. Partly through the influence of Gouverneur Morris

many large investments were made at the end of the last and beginning of this century in the northmany large investments were made and the last and beginning of this century in the northern counties of New-York by various distinguished Frenchmen, especially in Jefferson and St. Lawrence counties—Depai, in St. Lawrence, and Le Ray and Chaumont, in Jefferson, were named for them. I recollect when a child, in 1825, M. de Villars, a very distinguished-looking Frenchman, often taking friendly notice of me in Antwerp, Jefferson County, He spoke broken English and wore fine ruffled shirts, with a blue coat and buff vest; the coat had bright gift buttons, I once saw, at the house of Edwin Dodge, in Gouverneur, a great number of letters from celebrated Frenchmen which were addressed to Genverneur Morris, and by him presented to Judge Dodge, who was for many years, the agent of Morris. There were some from Louis Philippe, Charles X. Le Ray de Chaumont and others, Joseph Bonaparte lived for a time in St. Lawrence County, and a lake was named for him. Perhaps there might be fin rest in looking up this early French interest in Northern New-York.

St. Louis, April 7, 1886.

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MRS. BOOTH TUCKER IN CALIFORNIA. Los Angeles, Cal., April 19.-The arrival of Mrs, Booth-Tucker, the new commander of the Salvation Army, was signalized by the greatest rally the army

has ever held in Southern California. Soldiers were in line from every city in the State. Mrs. Tucker spoke briefly at last night's meeting, making only a passing reference to the secession of her brother, Ballington Booth, who, she hoped, would soon see the error of his way and return to the fold.

ITALIANS BATTLE WITH A VARIETY OF WEAPONS

A bloody fight occurred last night in the rooms o Jimmie Leonardo, an Italian laborer, on the third floor of the big tenement-house known as the "Double Alley," at No. 36 Cherry-st. George Petro, a Greek, is a decorator, and lives in rooms on the same floor as Leonardo, as do Antonia Resho, twenty-two years old, and Jim Barretto, forty-two years

They were all in Leonardo's rooms, when "Jimmie" Leonardo's wife became angered at something that Petro said, and taking up a lighted kerosene oil lamp threw it at him. The lamp was smashed into bits and cut several gashes in Petro's face, from which blood poured in streams down over his cloth-The room was now in darkness and then the

fight fairly began. Barretto selzed an axe, Reslic a heavy iron bar two feet long, and beenardo a chair leg and they all went for the poor Greek. Petro defended himself as best he could for a while, and then amid the yells and screams o terror-stricken women and children from the many windows of adjoining tenements, made his escape wn the stairway and through the inky darkness into the siley.

Hundreds of persons greeted his appearance with

exclamations of horror as he ran toward Cherry si., for he was covered with blood. Numerous missiles descended upon some of the crowd which pushed his way through and was met by Petro, whom he took back to the tenement.

On the way they met Barretto and Reslo, and

Petro, fearful that they would again attack him. struck back, but pointed to the men, who darted into a building and were soon lost to view.

On up the other stairway the policeman took Petro, until they reached Leonardo's rooms. A light was procured, and there sat Leonardo and his wife. She was writhing in pain from a long knife-cut, ex-

glass
Leonardo himself was unhurt. The rooms were a wreck, crockery, glassware and all the furniture was lying about reduced to splinters.

Petro was getting weak and as Policemen Logan, Higgins and Myers had arrived, Petro was, with Leonardo and his wife, turned over to them, while Policeman Courtney went up alone to look for Barretto and Resto.

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They both wore white linen shirts, and as Courtney went up the dark stairway he saw them running ahead of him.

After a lively chase, during which they jumped from one roof to another, he captured them both with the help of Policemen Logan and Higgins. Sergean McNally, at the Oak-st, station, where all the combatants were taken, sent for an ambulance, and Dr. Johnson, who responded, partially dressed Petro's and the woman's injuries and took them to the Hudson Street Hospital.

AS MR. REED'S FRIENDS SEE IT.

THEY GIVE M'KINLEY 354 PER CENT OF THE DELEGATES TO ST. LOUIS.

igton, April 19.-The weekly bulletin furnished by Representative J. Frank Aldrich, of Illi nois, giving the results of the Republican Presi-dential canvass from the point of view of a triend of

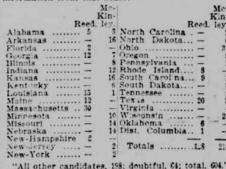
Mr. Reed, issued to-night, is as follows:
"The developments of the last week in the Repub lican Providential contest have resulted in no ma-terial change in the relative standing of the leading can lidates, notwithstanding the prediction made by ming week McKinley's strength will grow rapidly Of the twenty votes confidently counter antured sixteen, and the failure to instruct for Mo Kinley the fourteen delegates elected from New-Jerney was a significant disappointment. My last McKinley 165, to all other candidates 166 and 48 doubtful. In that table I credited Mr. Reed with two uninstructed delegates, which, upon later informa-tion, I deem it fair to place in the doubtful column. With this single exception my figures of last week cannot be seriously disputed.

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"The figures herewith presented have been carefully compiled from reports received from day to day and verified by replies received from telegrams sent to various States yesterday. I have placed sixteen additional delegates in the doubful column, twelve of which are from New-Jersey. Of the 604 delegates elected to date, McKinley has just about \$502 per cent. If he continues at this rate to the end he will have \$25 votes out of a total of \$13, when the Convention assembles, exactly the number that the friends of Mr. Reed and the other candidates have conceded to him from the active commencement of the campaign.

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"The table by States follows. I reserve the right to change this estimate for Tennessee upon further information from that State:



STAMPEDED BY AN ARMED CRANK.

THE CONGREGATION OF A SAN FRANCISCO CHURCH PUT TO FLIGHT.

Oakland, Cal., April 19.-A crank with a revolved created a stampede in the First Unitarian Church here this morning. Professor Griggs, of Stanford University, who filed the pulpit in the absence of the pastor, was about to open service, when a roughly dressed young man walked up the aisle, and, halting in front of the pulpit platform, drew a pistol and announced his intention of being heard. In a loud voice he denounced religion as a humbug,

In a loud voice he denounced religion as a humbug, stating that he could prove, upon the authority of Professor Leconte, President Jordan, of Stanford, and other distinguished scientists, that man descended from the lower animals.

Colonel John P. Irish came forward to reason with the intruder, but the stranger levelled the revolver at the Colone, who stood his ground and dared him to approach. While Mr. Irish was endeavoring to caim the crank, two members of the courgegation sipped up behind him and philoned his arms before he could do anything.

Meantime half of the congregation had made their exit in terror, while Professor Griggs fied by a rear door. The stranger was taken to the police station, where he gave the name of Lewis Borges, of Portland, Ore. He is regarded as a harmless junatic.

THE SMALL BOY ESCAPED.

COMPLICATIONS ARISING FROM A GERRY AGENT TRYING TO ARREST A NEWSBOY IN BROADWAY. Agent Dietrich, of the Gerry Society, attempted to

arrest one of the gang of newsboys who hang about Thirty-fifth-st. and Broadway, at 11:30 o'clock last The boy asserted that he was over sixteen years of age, and yelled for he.p. A crowd col-lected and took sides with the boy. The agent blew lected and took sides with the boy. The agent blew a police whistle, which brought Policeman Dulfers to the scene. The policeman entered into an argument with the agent as to the boy's age. Meanwhile the boy escaped.

The policeman placed the agent under arrest and took him to the West Thirtieth-st, police station, where he charged him with disorderly conduct in blowing the whistle and causing a crowd to collect. The agent will be arraigned in the Jefferson Market Court this morning.

DEATH OF JOHN J. MITCHELL. John J. Mitchell, formerly Sheriff of Queens

County, died last night in Long Island City. county, died last night in Long Island City. He had been ill for three days from pneumonia. He was forty-eight years old, and served as Sheriff in 1885, 1896 and 1887. He was member of Assembly in 1882. He was a candidate for Sheriff on the in 1882. He was a candidate for sheriff on the Democratic ticket in 1894, but was defeated by the present incumbent. Mr. Mitchell was a brother of the Rev. James H. Mitchell, chancellor of the Catholic diocese of Brooklyn. Another brother is a wealthy meat dealer, of Long Island City. Mr. Mitchell was a prominent leader in the Jeffersonian Democracy of Long Island City.

THE ALBANY POLICE BILL. Albany, April 19 .- Senator Cantor, the Democratic

leader, wrote to Mayor Thacher asking him not to delay action on the Albany Police bill for the fif-teen days allowed him by iaw, as this would be expensive to the taxpayers, the Republicans, according to Mr. Cantor, being determined to not
adjourn the Legislature until they had passed the
Mill Mayor Tracker repulse in substance that he cording to Mr. Cantor, being determine adjourn the Legislature until they had po bill. Mayor Thacher replied in substance would take early action on the bill.

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SUPERINTENDENT HADLEY'S VIGIL.

HE RETURNS TO PRAY EVERY YEAR IN T CELL WHERE HE WAS CONVERTED. Superintendent Henry H. Hadley, of the mil

at No. 510 West Broadway, No. 28 Bowery and No. 316 Water-st., spent ten minutes in a cell at the East One-hundred-and-twenty-sixth-st. police station at midnight between Saturday and yesterday. He spent the time alone in prayer, as he has done on the night of every April 18 for fourteen years, on the night of every April 18 for fourteen years, excepting once, two years ago, when he had typhoid fever. Fourteen years ago on the night of April 18 Mr. Hadley was converted in cell 10. Sergent Mr. Hadley was converted in cell 10. Bergeant Delaney, who was then a roundsman, was doing sermeant's duty at the desk about 11:30 o'clock, when a man about thirty-five years old, poorly dressed and a typical drunkard, staggered up the station steps and into the room. He said that he was drunk and wanted to give himself up. The roundsmoot took his self-preferred complaint and locked him up in cell 10. In the course of the night the door-man heard the sound of groans and weeping in cell But maudlin weeping from drunken prisoners was not an unusual thing. All alone in the cell. Hadiey was experiencing a change of heart. The homeless drunkard reformed, and his life since has been spent in the reformation of others.

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Next morning the prisoner spoke of his conversions to the men in the station. He was taken to the old Harlem Court, in One-hundred-and-twenty-fifthest, and arraigned before Justice Bixby. He told his story to the Justice, and by his carnestness convinced the Court that what he said was true. Justice Bixby discnarged him, with a word of encouragement.

Every April 18, between the hours of 10 and midnight, Mr. Hadiey goes to the station, and at his own request is locked in cell 10. For ten minutes he prays in the spot where he first determined to be a better man.

Sergeant Delancy, who has been at the same station for many years, has been on duty more than half the time when Mr. Hadley has called to perform his vigil. At other times strange officers have been there, but a imission has never been refused him. On the night of April 18 there is always a doorman or some officer about who remembers Mr. Hadley, and the cell is kept vacant for him.

He appeared on Saturday night, as usual, and after a word to Sergeant Delaney, who again happened to be at the desk, was led into the prison, When he came out his eyes were red with weeping, He spoke a few words to the men in the section room and then hurried away.

AN ITALIAN DANGEROUSLY STABBED.

A GANG ATTACKS THE OFFICER WHOCHAS TEL ASSAILANT IN CUSTODY.

Tony Firla, a fruit vender of No. 217 Hester-St., was severely stabbed in the neck near the jugular vein by Antonio Suonatore, of No. 126 Baxter-st, in Hester-st. last night. A good deal of mystery surrounds the case, and the Mulberry-st. detectives who have been investigating it have been unable to discover much about the cause of the quarre between the men. An Italian meeting consected with a benevolent organization was field in Mulberry-st., near Hester-st , last night. While it was in progress Suonatore went to the door and called Firia out of the meeting hall. He drew a knife Firia out of the meeting hall. He drew a knife as Firia came out, and the two fought on the sidewalk until Firia fell, exhausted and bleeding. He was sent to St. Vincent's Hospital in ga ambulance by Policerian Light, who also a rested his assailant. Julius Sanatore, of No. 217 Hester-st., a friend of the prasener, who came to the station to inquire about 1 m, was also detained as a witness of the stabling.

While Policeman Light was taking this man to the prison, at Elizabeth-st., he was set upon by half a dozen Italians, who tried to rescue Sanatore. Light rapped for help, and Policeman O'Conner came to his assistance. Together they caught a brother of the prisoner, whom they locked up on a charge of interfering with an officer.

MASS-MEETING FOR ARMENIA. At the mass-meeting for Armenia, at Chickering Hall, to-morrow evening, at 8:30 o'clock. Bishop

Potter will preside.

The following are the wice-presidents: Mayor William L. Strong, Bishop Satterlee, Alexander E. Orr, the Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott, the Rev. Dr. John the Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott, the Rev. Dr. John P. Peters, Congressman-Lenuel E. Quigg, the Rev. Dr. George E. Van De Water, Edwin Einstein, Professor William H. Thomson, Killiaen Van Renselaer, the Rev. Dr. Henry Van Dyke, William I. Ves Washburn, the Rev. Dr. David J. Burrell, the Rev. Dr. Richard S. Storrs, Charles R. Miller, the Rev. Dr. Richard S. Storrs, Charles R. Miller, the Rev. Dr. William H. P. Faunce, S. Victor Constant, Professor C. W. E. Body, Henry W. Brook-field, Chamberialn Anson G. McCook, R. Pulton Cutting, William P. St. John, the Rev. Dr. Zugsan A. Hoffman, the Rev. Dr. David H. Greer, Ason-bishop Corrigan, Professor A. D. F. Hamilin, James M. King, E. L. Godwin, the Rev. Dr. Robert S. MacArthur, the Rev. Dr. Henry A. Brann, Francis H. Scott, the Rev. Dr. James Chambers, John, D. Crimmins, the Rev. Dr. James Chambers, John, D. Crimmins, Chester S. Lord, the Rev. Dr. C. C. Creegan, James R. Speffield and John Noble Stearns.

KILLED IN HIS HOUSE BY BURGLARS. Indianapolis, April 19.—Leo Hirth, a well-known and wealthy German, living at No. 1,020 West Washington-st., was instantly killed at 2 o'clock washington-st., was instantly killed at 2 o'clock this morning by two masked men, who were discovered in his bedroom, and whom he pursued into the rear part of the house. Mrs. Hirth was awakened by a noise in the room, and saw two men standing in the doorway leading to another room. She gave the alarm by calling to her husband, whereupon one of the men levelled a pistol at her and fired, the builtet entering the headboard just above where she lay. A second shot followed an instant later, and the two men turned toward the rear of the house. Mr. Hirth was awakened by the first shot and sprang from the bed and followed the intruders. As he passed into the room immediately back of the sleeping apartment a third shot was fired, which sent a builtet through his heart.

Thwarted.-"We are thwarted." she garped, fall-Thwarted.— we arms of the leading juyenile. "My ing into the arms of the leading juyenile. "My father!" "What has he dono?" demanded the youth, with an ominous intonation.

"He has hidden all of my wardrobe except twenty-seven coatumes." she cried, her veice rising to a shriek.

Anybody at all conversant with the tendencies of the drame, could see that an elopement was impossible. Herever, they could do a song and dame.